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1. "Things have changed a great deal since you left [Nov 52], yet more big changes are expected. Since our first five year plan started in 1953, we have seen industry, banks, shops, and schools, turned from private to government. As one walks along Nanking Road from the bund, one sees very few privately-owned shops and most of those are deserted. Government-owned department stores and co-operative stores are packed full with buyers because they sell cheaper. We have been asked to save foodstuffs such as meat, eggs, oil, wheat, etc to barter for machineries [sic] we need from Europe for our 'new economic constructions', and also put our money into savings for the government to spend on construction. The 'plan' is so gigantic that it is a 'movement' for everybody to give all their energy and reserve to industrialize and militarize this country. Indeed, China is really going through a big change which makes everything new.
2. "Many professional men have been called to join government service. One doctor has given his afternoons to the Staff Hospital of the Telephone Company, and one nerve specialist has only two afternoons a week reserved for private patients. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED] is doing quite well in his studies, and in another six months he will receive hospital training. The school planned to train his class to specialize in Gynecology, Obstetrics, and Surgery. If he is lucky and his work good, he may have the chance to be chosen on the surgery side. He has all the requirements he needs to be a surgeon [REDACTED]

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4. [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] medical training will total only two years. Approximately one-quarter will be consumed in 'indoctrination'. This seems to indicate a tremendous rush to turn out doctors no matter how sketchy might be their training.

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